

## AN ESOTERIC ADEPT.

Wonderful Stories About Mme. Blavatsky, the High-Priestess of Aryan Theosophy.

## OFTEN GIVEN UP TO DIE.

Remarkable Recoveries—Alleged Miraculous Feats—Replacing a Lost Paper—The Occult Science Abroad.

New York Special: W. Q. Judge, who is at the head of the theosophical organizations of the United States, as well as president of the local Aryan Theosophical society at New York, has just returned from a trip to England and Germany. In London, of course, his principal business was with Mme. H. P. Blavatsky, who is justly considered the head of all theosophic teaching and organization outside of India and Tibet, or as she modestly prefers to be regarded, the mouthpiece and representative of the masters or mahatmas who systematically seclude themselves somewhere in the Orient from public knowledge.

"Mme. Blavatsky," said Mr. Judge, "is living with the Countess Wachtmeister—widow of a Swedish count who was an ambassador to the court of St. James—in Holland Park, London, and is devoting herself to the most arduous labors in the cause of theosophy. She scarcely ever leaves the house, and from 8:30 o'clock in the morning until evening is constantly engaged in writing articles for her magazine, Lucifer, or other theosophic publications, replying to correspondents, and preparing the material for further forthcoming volumes of her gigantic work, 'The Secret Doctrine.' In the evening she has many visitors of all sorts—inquirers, critics, skeptics, curiosity seekers, friends—and all are welcomed with such charming grace, friendliness and simplicity that every one is made to feel at home with her. By 10 o'clock, generally, all but intimate friends have retired, but they remain an hour or two later.

MARVELOUS CURES.  
"Notwithstanding that Mme. Blavatsky is beyond the vigor of middle age, and for nearly three years past has been living in defiance of the leading London physicians, who gave her up long ago as hopelessly incurable of a deadly kidney disease that was liable to kill her at any moment, she never seems weary, but is the animated leader of conversation, speaking with equal ease in English, French, Italian and Russian, or dropping into Sanskrit and Hindoostanee as occasion requires. Whether working or talking she seems to be constantly rolling, lighting and smoking cigarettes of Turkish tobacco. As for her personal appearance she hardly seems changed at all from what she was when in this country several years ago, except that she has grown somewhat stouter perhaps. As I said, she has been condemned to death for three years, but no fear is entertained for her dying before her mission is accomplished. Twice before, when in India, she was given up by the doctors, who, on each occasion, set a time limit of only a few days upon her existence, and her recoveries were looked upon as simply marvelous. At the time when she was worst and seemed likely to die on the road, she set out for northern India, and it was understood that she was going to the mahatmas for succor.

THE TRANSFORMATION.  
"Several persons who had a strong desire to see those mysterious adepts followed and watched her. But at Dharjiling she mysteriously disappeared. She had been carried there, and it was inconceivable how she could by herself have slipped away, but she was gone, and that was all that anybody could say about it. In three days she returned apparently as well as she ever was. The most that any one is told about how the transformation in her condition was effected, is given by the 'Secret Doctrine' when she says: 'Sound generates or rather attracts together the elements that produce an ozone, the fabrication of which is beyond chemistry, but within the limits of alchemy. One may even resurrect a man or an animal whose astral 'vital body' had not been irreparably separated from the physical body by the severance of the magnetic or etheric chord. As one saved thrice from death by that power, the writer ought to be credited with knowing personally something about it.'

"People who do not believe there is any astral body or any ozone of that sort may question her account, but occultists and all who know how truthful a woman she is will believe her. That she recovered health with astounding suddenness is a fact that cannot be denied. Since she has been in London the physicians have been amazed by her living. First they say the astounding quantity of uric acid in her blood should have killed her long ago, and if that was not enough to do it the deadly poisons given her in enormous doses in treatment to which she has lately been subjected herself ought to have finished her. But she seems to be getting better, and doubtless, if all else fails and her work continues to be necessary, she will be saved again, as she was before.

A SAMPLE OF MME. BLAVATSKY'S POWERS.  
"Mme. Blavatsky now very seldom gives any manifestation of her occult powers except to intimate friends, but I had, while over there, several evidences that she can do things quite inexplicable by any known exact science. Two years ago I lost here in New York a paper that was of considerable interest to me. I do not think anybody but myself knew that I had it, and I certainly mentioned it to no one that I had lost it. One evening, a little over a fortnight ago, while I was sitting in Mme. Blavatsky's parlor with Mr. B. Keightley and several other persons, it happened to think of that paper. The madame got up, went into the next room, and, returning almost immediately, handed me a sheet of paper. I opened it, and found it an exact duplicate of the paper that I had lost two years before. It was actually a facsimile copy, as I recognized at once. I thanked her, and she said: 'Well, I saw it in your head that you wanted it.'

"It was not a thing to astonish anyone acquainted with the laws of nature as comprehended by occultists, who understand clearly how consciousness of my thought was possible; how the reproduction of a thing once written, my knowledge was necessarily facsimile, and how that reproduction could be effected by a simple act of volition on her part, but it would puzzle materialists to explain it in accordance with the facts.

"One night, when I talked very late with a gentleman at a house distant from Mme. Blavatsky's, he expressed a wish that I would, if I had an opportunity, get her views without mentioning his name upon a subject that was under discussion between us. The next day when I was talking with her the subject came up, and I began offering her suggestions, when she interrupted me by saying, 'You needn't tell me that; I was there last night and heard you,' and went on to repeat all that had been said.

NO EVIDENCE OF FRAUD.

"Of course, it can be said that he had informed her with a view to deceiving me, but I am well assured that there was nothing of the sort, and that under certain ex-

isting circumstances that would have been practically impossible. I know that she very often reads people's thoughts and replies to them in words. The silvery bell sounds in the astral current that were heard over her head by so many persons when she was here in New York, still continue to follow her, and it is beyond question to those familiar with her life and work and that she is in constant receipt of the most potent aid from the adepts, particularly her teacher, the mahatma morya, whose portrait hangs in her study, and shows a dark and beautiful Indian face, full of sweetness, wisdom and majesty. Of course it does not seem possible that he, in Tibet, instantaneously responds there by a mental impression, or a 'precipitated' note to a mental interrogatory put by her in London, but it happens to be the fact that he does so all the same. Theosophy is gaining ground solidly in England, and with a degree of rapidity that is surprising, in view of the conservatism of English thought and feeling. There are already flourishing theosophical societies in London, Edinburgh, Liverpool, Cambridge, Dublin and several other places. One was about to be started in Glasgow when I left, and among those interesting themselves most in it are scientists, leading educators, prominent men in governmental departments, and gentlemen of fortune and education. Of course, the clergy do not take kindly to it."

## TERRITORIAL JOTTINGS.

Item: Railroad surveyors are still at work near Bonita, and an additional force arrived lately. Missoula is bound to have another road this fall.

Milot, a saloon keeper of Phillipsburg, was arrested and fined recently for permitting his minor sons to spend their time and gamble in his place.

A most enjoyable entertainment was given at St. Peter's Mission Jan. 6, by the pupils of the school, who showed surprising talent for dramatic performance.

The Fergus County Argus says that cattlemen and woolgrowers of the Judith basin are not feeding hay these days. Feed on the range was never better at this time of the year.

River Press: We are having our icehouse filled with the best that can be found on the congested surface of the Missouri. We have sent for an extra refrigerator, and will be able to take care of all the spring poetry in northern Montana during the approaching heated term.

Miner: Joe Laird, who used to be shift boss at the St. Lawrence, and was lately foreman at the Orphan Boy and Orphan Girl, has been appointed to the position lately vacated by the death of John J. Farrell. Mr. Laird is an experienced miner thoroughly fitted for the place he now holds.

Miner: The father of Ruby Gray, alias Lillie DeMorris, who suicided on Friday night, has sent \$300 to have his daughter's remains sent to him. She was an only daughter and when she disappeared from home he offered a big reward for information of her whereabouts. The telegram he received announcing her death was the first intimation he received since she left home.

Missoula Item: Petitions have been circulated in favor of divers parties for postmaster here. Harry Honsman has not gotten up any petition for his appointment, but we learn that some of his friends have taken the matter in hand and will prepare one. That's the paper we intend to sign, and we are certain that the names of nine-tenths of the business men of Missoula will be found on it.

Bozeman Chronicle: The addition of a paper mill to Bozeman's enterprises is almost an assured fact. We have heard that material, a central location and are assured of railroad facilities, besides, reports to the contrary, we have a community that will respond liberally to assist all substantial enterprises. The Gallatin valley and Bozeman are coming into their own, and they are doing it without the aid of a real estate "boom."

At the recent election of officers of the First National bank of Great Falls, T. E. Collins was elected president, A. E. Dickerman vice-president, Louis J. Phelps cashier, D. L. Tracy assistant cashier. The directors are: C. A. Broadwater, Martin Maginnis, Paris Gibson, J. T. Armstrong, Robert Vaughn, H. O. Clowen and Ira Myers. The bank has been in business but two years; it has declared \$23,000 in dividends, and has a surplus of \$27,000.

Miles City Journal: When a railroad is built to Cooke City, which will probably be the year the Soda Butte water works will be completed, the water of that vicinity will become valuable property. These waters are especially valuable to consumptive patients. A gentleman says that at one time he was spitting blood, when he went to the spring and drank the water three days, procuring a number of bottles which he filled in such a manner as to keep out the air, and that his recovery was entirely due, he thinks, to the medicinal qualities of the water.

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